THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The section Ujjain-Maksi-Bhopal is planned for commissioning by March 1992.

[*English*]

Trichur-Guruvayoor Railway Line

2879. PROF. SAVITHRI LAKSHMANAN:
SHRI KODIKKUNIL SURESH:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the progress made so far in construction of Trichur-Guruvayoor railway line;

(b) the amount allocated in the current financial year for completion of this line;

(c) when the work is expected to be completed;

(d) whether the work is behind the schedule; and

(e) if so, the details thereof and the steps being taken for its expeditious completion?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) 70%.

(b) Rs. 2.33 crores.

(c) 1991-92.

(d) No, Sir.

(e) Does not arise.

SC/ST Officials in Recruitment Boards

2880. SHRI ARVIND NETAM: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Railway Recruitment Boards functioning in the Indian Railways;

(b) whether it is stipulatory that in each Recruitment Board one of the two officers namely the Chairman and Member-Secretary has to be from either the SC or ST;

(c) if so, whether this stipulation has been implemented fully in all the Recruitment Boards; and

(d) if not, when it is likely to be implemented?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) 19.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) and (d). Do not arise.

Production of Oil and Gas in Cauvery Basin

2881. SHRI K. THULASIAH VANDAYAR: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) the total production of crude oil and natural gas from the Cauvery basin in Tanjore district of Tamil Nadu;

(b) the steps the Government propose to take for exploration of the cauvery basin for more hydrocarbons; and

(c) the details of the recent discoveries made there?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI B. SHANKARANAND): (a) 0.65 MMT of oil and 147.71